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We would like to comment about microsoft litigation.

1. We think the law suit has been going on too long, wasting tax payers money. Nobody especially public will benefit from this lengthy court process but the lawyers. Microsoft will have to spend more and more for their lawyers and in return will have to get those back from consumers by raising the price of their softwares.
 2. It seems to us what the government is doing not for the consumers benefits but for Microsoft competitors' benefits. We use window operating system because we like it even though we were given choice when we bought our new computer. We also have both internet explorer and Netscape but we use internet explorer more. We never feel that Microsoft inhibits us to choose anything, besides it makes easy for us to have internet explorer comes with the operating system. We are share holders of microsoft, oracle, Sun microsystems and AOL but that isn't the issue.
 3. Microsoft settlement to provide fund and computers and softwares to public schools is good thing. Apple is not happy because they dominate the school system. Why isn't it a monopoly issue for Apple? It's a free market, let's the students decide what they like.
 4. What the government try to control Microsoft is the worst thing that can happen to new innovation. Please let the companies compete freely in the open market allowing consumers to choose what they want not what the department of justice mandates.
- Sincerely,
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